

B2 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> or more in the ordinary temperature molding and was about 7.40 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> or more in the warm molding. In the compacts, defects such as flaws and fractures were not observed.

The properties of sectional microstructure of the compact were normal, and no coarse cavities were observed.

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Page 25, lines 11-16, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

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B3 Regarding the Comparative Examples outside of the scope of the invention, the ejection forces were as high as more than 20 MPa, the densities in the ordinary temperature molding were as low as 7.25 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> or less, the densities in the warm molding were as low as 7.35 Mg/m<sup>3</sup> or less, flaws were observed on the surfaces of the compacts, or coarse cavities were observed in the vicinity of the surfaces of the cross sections of the compacts.

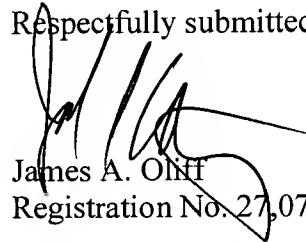
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REMARKS

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Claims 1-7 are pending. By this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, the specification is amended for editorial reasons to eliminate some inadvertent underlining that was introduced into the Amendment. No new matter has been added. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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